

Hunts Kart Racing Club Rules and Bylaws 2023/2024



The below rules and bylaws were review and endorsed at the AGM held 17.05.2023

General Note – Throughout these rule, the masculine gender shall include the feminine.

1. The club is called “The Hunts Kart Racing Club Limited” and is incorporated in England as a private company, number 1597143. The club shall be affiliated to Motorsport UK and the ABKC.
2. The objects of the club and the liability of its members are set out in the memorandum and article of association of the company and dated 10 September 1981 as modified by any subsequent changes or amendments.
3. The affairs of the club may be managed by a committee consisting of:
 - a. Up to eight elected members
 - b. The chairman, treasurer, secretary and competition secretary, who shall be ex-officio members of the committee are and hereinafter referred to as “the officers”
 - c. Any kart traders serving on the committee will not be allowed to vote on matters relating to the karting trade, unless the club feel it necessary
4. One half of the members of the committee, at least one of whom shall be an officer set out in 3b above shall form a quorum, save for the purpose set out in paragraph 16 herein and each member of the committee present may vote. In the event of a tied vote, the chairman may exercise a second casting vote.
5. Any member of the committee, who without sufficient reason absents themselves from consecutive meetings without proper notice, will be deemed to have offered their resignation to the committee, who may accept that resignation at the committee’s discretion.
6. If during the year the committee is of the view that it is in the interests of the club that any member should join the committee either
 - a. For the purpose of filling a vacancy created by the resignation of a committee member
 - b. To assist the committee otherwise or in respect of any specific aspect of work then the committee may co-opt that member onto the committee for such period or for such purpose as it considers necessary but that member shall only be able to vote if the membership of the committee does not exceed the permitted maximum
7. The election of officers shall take place at the annual general meeting of the club.
8. Decisions of the annual general meeting shall be by majority vote of those attending and no proxy votes will be accepted.
9. The annual subscriptions for membership, club championship entry, race fees, pit bays and all other aspects of the club’s activities for each year will be determined by the committee at such times and in such a manner as the committee deems appropriate.
10. Anyone holding a Motorsport UK competition license and a member of an ABKC affiliated club, may practice or race at Kimbolton kart track.
11. At any general meeting of the club, the committee may take such reasonable steps to ensure that only fully paid annual members of the club may participate and vote on any issue. Inspection of current membership cards prior to a vote or entry to a meeting is considered such a reasonable step.

12. Each application for membership of the club shall be made in writing or via the website and will be subject to approval by the committee who may reject the application and be under no obligation to give a reason. No application to join or renew a membership will be accepted on the date of an annual general meeting or an extraordinary general meeting.
13. Drivers, their mechanics and other team members and supporters shall act in a responsible manner towards the club and its officers and in particular during practice and race days and any times prior or subsequent to such days, where the premises are open for setting up or taking down of equipment.
 - a. Conduct himself in a proper fashion in his use of the club's equipment, buildings and track facilities
 - b. Safeguard and protect the assets of the club
 - c. Do nothing to damage the reputation of the club in Kimbolton, Stow Longa and surrounding areas.
 - d. Do nothing to damage the reputation of the club within the sport of karting
 - e. Use the overnight camping facilities with due regard for the interests of the club, it's neighbours and others using the facilities
 - f. Observe the 22:30 to 06:30 curfew in relation to the running of generators
 - g. Observe the directions of race and club officials at all times
 - h. Fully comply with the Race With Respect guidelines as published by Motorsport UK
 - i. Make themselves aware of and observe all supplementary regulations as published from time to time.
 - j. Observe the rules applicable to pit bays
 - k. Honour each member's obligation to assist the club officials when reasonably required to do so
 - l. Ensure that each person attending the track as a member of his support team shall be aware of and observe these rules
14. The committee may determine the size and position of pit bays and make use of these bays available to members subject to the rules in respect to the use of their use by the member, or competing nominees during the club meetings and practice days. Where a member is in breach of the rules, the committee may withdraw the member's use of the pit bay for as long as it considers appropriate and the club may forfeit the fee, or part of it, paid by the member for such use.
15. Where in the opinion of the committee, any member has acted in any way contrary to these rules or otherwise against the best interests of the club, then the committee may call that member before it and having heard that member may
 - a. Determine his membership
 - b. Impose a fine
 - c. Suspend his membership for such period and subject to such terms as it considers just
 - d. Report the facts to Motorsport UK or other relevant body

For the purposes of exercising its duties hereunder, the quorum shall be three, at least two of whom shall be officers of the club.

16. Any member of the club who proposes to pay the club by cheque, other negotiable instrument, by card or online must ensure clearance of sufficient funds and if he fails to do so
 - a. His membership shall be suspended forthwith
 - b. Application must be made to the treasurer for membership to be reinstated supported by a fee of £15 or such sum as shall be determined by the committee reasonable compensation for the administration arising from default
 - c. The club may refuse future applications for entry from that member unless paid two weeks in advance or by cash.
 - d. The treasurer may report the breach to Motorsport UK
17. The club will not distribute detailed accounts to each member, but any member can request to be sent to him a full set of accounts by writing to the club at its registered office or requesting a copy from the secretary in writing at any time. Additionally the committee will ensure a copy of the last approved accounts is available for inspection on the weekend of every club race meeting in the clubhouse.
18. A copy of these rules and bylaws together with a copy of the memorandum and articles will also be available on the HKRC website.
19. The supplementary regulations of the club shall also form part of these rules. These will be approved annually at the annual general meeting, however the committee is empowered to add, alter or amend the regulations in anyway during the year due to
 - a. Any safety concerns or needs
 - b. Any legal or health and safety changes
 - c. Any environmental changes imposed or needing to be imposed to ensure the continued use of the facilities at Kimbolton
 - d. Any changes in class racing structures or in demand for certain classes changing
 - e. Any other matters which in the opinion of the committee are in the best interests of the club
20. If the club facilities are let out to a commercial organiser or race promoter, that organiser or race promoter shall abide by all rules and regulations imposed by the club in its members. The club retains the right where significant or material breaches of these rules occur without prior agreement of the committee to cancel any such meeting at any stage (including when it is in progress) without compensation. The committee must give at least one hours notice of their intention to cancel a meeting of the type that is in progress to allow time for matters to be regularised.
21. The committee may elect honorary life members. These members shall have no voting rights. Honorary life members will not attend extraordinary meetings in their capacity as members and have no rights to such accounts or privileged information as the committee sees fit.
22. These rules may be amended at any general meeting of the club.